

NOGALES TRANSIT FEASIBILITY AND IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT

Transit Advisory Committee Meeting #2

June 6, 2006, 2:00 PM

Nogales City Hall

Meeting Notes

1. Attendance

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Terry Shannon	Nogales/ Santa Cruz Port Authority	(520) 287-3671	shannonchb@mchsi.com
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David Fields	Nelson\Nygaard	(212) 242-2490	dfields@nelsonnygaard.com

2. Introductions

Manuel Tapia and Matt Carpenter opened the meeting with thanks to everyone for the interest in the Nogales Transit Feasibility Study ("Study"). Attendees then introduced themselves.

3. Project Schedule: Where Are We Now?

David Fields summarized the project as follows:

- Current:
 - Completing data collection;
 - Completed two public workshops;
 - Stakeholder interviews to be complete by June 7
- Next Steps:
 - Conceptual service planning with:
 - Routes
 - Frequencies
 - Spans of services

4. Review of Data Analysis

- a. David Fields distributed two memoranda for discussion.
 - Transit Propensity Analysis: Describes the census tracts from which residents are most likely to utilize transit, due to social and demographic characteristics. The TAC agreed with the analysis, and added that additional development since the 200 Census was completed may add additional transit propensity toward the western portion of Nogales (tract #9962).
 - Goals and Objectives: Outlines a mission statement, goals, and objectives for the proposed transit system. The TAC concurred with the recommended language and added “affordable” to the mission statement.
- b. The TAC provided the following general input for the study’s conceptual planning:
 - Students attending Nogales schools are served by the district’s contracted bus service. Dr. Zamudio believes that public transit would provide additional options (especially in the evenings), however a new system would not transport a significant number of students. In addition, no new schools are planned for construction between now and 2012.
 - The produce industry’s annual peak occurs between late December and the middle of April. During these months, plants operate from 10AM to 10PM and sometimes until 2AM. During other times, standard operations are between 10AM and 7PM.
 - Terry Shannon believes the Mariposa Port Of Entry has significant long-term potential for transit demand; he will provide a recent PowerPoint presentation explaining the plans for this location.
 - If two bus stops can be provided on Morley Avenue, parking could be removed from one side of the street.

Action Items:

- David Fields to finalize Transit Propensity Analysis and Goals and Objectives and post to project website.
- Terry Shannon to provide a recent PowerPoint presentation explaining the plans for the Mariposa Port Of Entry.

5. Review of Public Participation

Manuel Tapia described the list of stakeholders being interviewed by the Project Team. The TAC recommended reaching out to the Korean Merchants Association.

Action Items:

- Manuel Tapia to reach out to the Korean Merchants Association for input.

6. Next Steps

The next TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 22, 2PM, at Nogales City Hall. The TAC requested David Fields to distribute the address of the project's website to the TAC.

Action Items:

- David Fields to distribute the address of the project's website to the TAC.

Summary of Action Items

Number	Item	Responsibility
1.	Finalize Transit Propensity Analysis and Goals and Objectives and post to project website.	D. Fields
2.	Provide a recent PowerPoint presentation explaining the plans for the Mariposa Port Of Entry.	T. Shannon
3.	Reach out to the Korean Merchants Association for input.	M. Tapia
4.	Distribute the address of the project's website to the TAC.	D. Fields

Attachment

- Meeting Agenda

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